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SUBJECT: URANIUM ENRICHMENT CONTRACTING

REF STATE 152033 (NOT SENT TO AEC GERMANTOWN)

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF ON JULY 15, TAIPOWER PRESIDENT, L.K. CHEN, REFERRED TO RECENT NUCLEONICS WEEK ARTICLE ON AEC ENRICHMENT CONTRACTING. ARTICLE REPORTED THAT STATUS OF ENRICHMENT CONTRACTS FOR TWO UNIDENTIFIED TAIPOWER NUCLEAR UNITS UNCERTAIN DUE TO AEC ACTION. (ARTICLE NOT SEEN HERE.) CHEN BELIEVES ARTICLE MAY REFER TO TAIPOWER'S PLANNED NUCLEAR UNITS SEVEN AND EIGHT. ENRICHMENT SERVICES FOR THESE TWO UNITS ALREADY DISCUSSED IN PRINCIPLE WITH AEC. CHEN HOPES THAT ENRICHMENT SERVICES FOR UNITS FIVE AND SIX NOT AT ISSUE.

2. DURING HIS RECENT TRIP TO WASHINGTON, CHEN WAS TOLD BY ROC EMBASSY SCIENCE COUNSELOR THAT SIGNED CONTRACTS FOR UNITS FIVE AND SIX HAD BEEN DELIVERED TO AEC SHORTLY BEFORE JUNE 12. SCIENCE COUNSELOR WAS CONFIDENT THAT AEC WOULD SIGN THE CONTRACTS UPON RECEIPT. ALTHOUGH CHEN HAS NOT RECEIVED CONFIRMATION OF AEC'S SIGNING, HE ASSUMES THERE WAS NO HITCH.

3. REFTTEL IDENTIFIES TAIWAN AS ONE OF SIXTEEN COUNTRIES

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WITH PENDING FUEL REQUESTS. WE WOUL APPRECIATE CLARI-

FICATION, SPECIFICALLY WITH REGARD STATUS OF NUCLEARS
FIVE AND SIX. L.K. CHEN IS ANXIOUSLY AWAITING A DEFINITIVE
STATEMENT.
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